

ATTACHMENT 1.2
UTAH STATE MEDICAID PLAN
UNDER
TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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State: UTAH

DESCRIPTION, FUNCTION AND ORGANIZATIONAL CHART OF SINGLE STATE AGENCY

Attached information contains a description of the organization and the functions of the State agency and an organizational chart of the agency.

UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS

(For Department Organization Chart, See Exhibit A)

A. Department Purpose:

To promote and protect the health, environmental conditions and individual lifestyles which contribute to human health and the prevention of disability and illness of the people of Utah.

B. Department Role:

The Utah State Department of Health and its divisions, institutions and functions exist to prevent and resolve the health and environmental problems which adversely affect the health and well-being of the residents of the State.

C. Department Functions:

1. Administers and enforces State and Federal health regulations and develops rules and standards as required.
2. Investigates and controls causes of diseases affecting the public health.
3. Develops and carries out reasonable health programs and practices deemed necessary to protect the public health.
4. Receives and administers federal, state and local funds for the support of public health programs.
5. Surveys, licenses and certifies institutions which provide health care services.
6. Administers the State Title XIX (Medicaid) Program and services.
7. Collects, tabulates, and disseminates vital statistics and other health data.
8. Provides statewide medico-legal investigation and data to determine cause of deaths which occur under questionable or unknown circumstances.
9. Administers all other administrative and operational functions of the Department.

UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

PURPOSE:

The Office of the Executive Director was created to provide overall management and direction for the new Department of Health.

The major objectives of the Executive Director's Office are as follows:

1. To effectively coordinate the activities of the Department of Health with other health-related activities in State Government and the community.
2. To appropriately balance the cost containment and quality of care interests that are a unique part of the Department of Health.
3. To ensure that each of the programs of the Department of Health is functioning efficiently, effectively and economically.
4. To provide leadership to the health community in developing new approaches to improving the health of the citizens of Utah.
5. To develop and implement a State health policy to improve the management of the quality, accessibility and cost of health service to the State and public.

UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

PURPOSE:

The Office of the Deputy Director of health is a new agency which was created in the reorganization of the State Health Department to provide administrative support functions to the Department.

FUNCTIONS:

The duties of Deputy Director include the following functions:

1. To provide effective and timely personnel services.
2. To exercise fiscal control of appropriated funds.
3. To financially audit the contractual services provided to the Department.
4. To prepare and maintain accurate and meaningful management through utilizing EDP Systems.
5. To provide on-going general services such as mailing, printing, copy service, and inventory control.
6. To maintain public information systems to provide for timely responses to public and agency requests for information.

UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

OFFICE OF HEALTH PLANNING AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE:

The Office of Health Planning and Policy Development is a new agency that was created as part of the reorganization of the State Department of Health. This office coordinates the overall Health Planning and Policy Development of the State Department of Health to promote efficiency and effectively in departmental functions.

FUNCTIONS:

The functions of this office include:

1. To develop a State Health Policy.
2. To integrate health planning, health statistics, and budgeting.
3. To coordinate the planning of the State Health Planning and Development Agency with the Health Services Agency.
4. To promote efficiency and effectiveness of program operations of the Department of Health through management audits.
5. To provide the legislature and State Budget Office with timely budget information.
6. To prevent unnecessary capitol costs in health facilities.

UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

PURPOSE:

The overall purpose and role of the Division of Environmental Health is the prevention of contamination and pollution of the environment which may adversely affect human health and well being.

FUNCTIONS:

The functions of this Division include:

1. To achieve and maintain a quality of air that is not harmful to man, animal or vegetation.
2. To insure that culinary water supplies are clean, wholesome and free from disease causing and other harmful agents.
3. To promote and regulate the appropriate disposal of liquid and solid wastes to protect human health and environmental quality.
4. To prevent unnecessary human and animal exposure to ionizing radiation.
5. To protect workers from unnecessary physical and other health hazards.
6. To protect the population from any unsanitary conditions which may adversely affect their health.

UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND STANDARDS

PURPOSE:

This Agency is designated by the Utah State Department of Health as the Medical Assistance Unit, as assigned by Federal regulation, which is responsible for administration of the Title XIX (Medicaid) Program.

FUNCTIONS:

The functions of this Division include:

1. Management of the State Medicaid budget.
2. Processing of medical claims.
3. Establishment of program policies and standards.
4. Licensure and certification of health care facilities.
5. Establishment of reimbursement policies based on audit and federal regulations.
6. Monitoring the integrity of medical payments.
7. Establishment and monitoring of standards for quality of care.

UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

PURPOSE:

This Division was created by combining the following programs: Community Health Services Branch, Disease Control Branch and the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program.

One of the major objectives of the Division is the focusing on health prevention measures and the prevention of unhealthy behavior which may result in long term ill health and expensive medical care in later life.

FUNCTIONS:

The functions of this Division include:

1. Providing public health consultation, support direction and financial assistance to local health departments and their public health nursing staff.
2. Serving as liaison between local, state and federal community health services agencies.
3. Administering communicable and chronic disease control programs, health education and emergency medical services programs.

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DIVISION OF FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES

PURPOSE:

To provide services not otherwise provided in the community, to meet the medical needs of children and families to reduce infant mortality and promote the health of mothers and children. To provide the management and functions of the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment Program through the Division of Family Health Services. To provide services for locating, diagnosing and promoting medical, surgical and after care for children who are crippled or suffering from a condition leading to crippling.

FUNCTIONS:

The functions of this Division include the following services:

1. Supplemental food program for women, infants and children (WIC Program).
2. Educational, preventive, diagnostic and treatment services.
3. Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).
4. Speech pathology and audiology.
5. Dental health.
6. School health.
7. Poison Control.
8. Family planning, genetic counseling, well child conferences.
9. Handicapped children services.
10. Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment.

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